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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed August 26, 2004, Applicants hereby elect claims 18-30 for continued examination, without traverse. Examination of the elected claims on the merits is solicited.

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